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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Earl Hardin Booth III, et al.
Serial No.: 09/630,779

Date: Sept 1, 2004

Filed: August 2, 2000

Group Art Unit: 2137
Examiner: Nguyen, Minh Dieu T

For: System and Method to Verify Availability of a Back-up Secure Tunnel

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR 1.136(a))Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

1. This is a petition for an extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated May 7, 2004 for a period of one month.
2. Applicant is other than a small entity.
3. Extension period and fee:

<u>Months</u>	<u>Fee for other than small entity</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One Month	\$ 110.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Two Months	\$ 420.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Three Months	\$ 950.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Four Months	\$ 1,480.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Five Months	\$ 2,010.00
Fee:	\$ 110.00

4. An Amendment response :

☒ is filed herewith
☐ has been filed.

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5. Fee Payment

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Charge fee to Deposit Account No. 09-0461 and for any additional extension fee required or credit for any excess fee paid.

Respectfully submitted,



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